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SENT VIA E-MAIL TO: 1107-87402023@requests.muckrock.com

Mr. Michael Morisy

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Re: **FEMA 12-314**

Dear Mr. Morisy:

This is the final response to your February 20, 2012, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) which was subsequently forwarded to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). You are seeking "a copy of any closing reports, reviews, or other post-operation updates made evaluating the effectiveness or success of the DHS readiness test performed in Somerville on July 26, 2007, at the Winter Hill Community School to test their emergency response to a major medical crisis."

We conducted a comprehensive search of files within FEMA's National Preparedness Directorate and Region I for records that would be responsive to your request. Unfortunately, we were not able to locate or identify any responsive records, because the drill was conducted by the town of Somerville's Department of Public Health. Therefore, we recommend that you contact them directly.

While an adequate search was conducted, you have the right to appeal this determination that no records exist within FEMA that would be responsive to your request. Should you wish to do so, you must send your appeal and a copy of this letter, within 60 days of the date of this letter, to: Associate General Counsel (General Law), U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Washington, D.C. 20528, following the procedures outlined in the DHS FOIA regulations at 6 C.F.R. § 5.9. Your envelope and letter should be marked "FOIA Appeal." Copies of the FOIA and DHS regulations are available at www.dhs.gov/foia.

Provisions of the FOIA allow us to recover part of the cost of complying with your request. In this instance, because the cost is under the \$14 minimum, there is no charge. 6 C.F.R. § 5.11(d)(4).

If you need to contact our office again about this matter, please refer to **FEMA 12-314**. This office can be reached at (202) 646-3323 or by e-mail at FEMA-FOIA@dhs.gov.

Sincerely,

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